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The above preliminary amendment places the claims in the same form as in the Substitute Specification and Marked-Up Copy submitted with the filing of the application. Please consider the changes made to the Specification in the Substitute Specification and Marked Up copy.

Also, please accept the Substitute Specification and the Marked-Up copy in which no substantive changes were made to change the scope of the patent. The above preliminary amendment is made to remove multiple dependencies from claim 6, to make minor editory changes to claims 1, 2, and 6, to cancel claim 5, to add new claims 10-21, and to add an appropriate abstract paragraph.

Applicants respectfully request that the preliminary amendment described herein be entered into the record prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination and consideration of the above-identified application.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicants' primary attorney-of record, Tong Wu (Reg. No. 43,361), at (612) 336-4611.

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